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ATTENTION : Deputy for Administration
Advisor for Management
Assistant Director for Research and Reports

Organisational Realignment of the Office of Research and Reports

REFERENCE : CIA Regulation No. 70

1. In accordance with the directive contained in paragraph 2 of the reference, and pursuant to instructions to me from the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the following comments and recommendations are submitted regarding the Mission and Organization of O/R.

2. In conversations between the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence and the Assistant Director for Research and Reports it was decided that:

a. O/R would be organized on an interim basis effective 1 January 1951 substantially as indicated in CIA Regulation No. 70. The Political and Sociological Division to be redesignated as the Regional Research Division.

b. The organization indicated above will apply for approximately ninety days from 1 January 1951. The proposed strength for the Economic and Industrial Division and the Regional Research Division is equal to the present O/R table of organization of the components transferred to these two Divisions minus existing vacancies and transfers to O/R. The Geographic Division is strengthened to fulfill its centralized function of map procurement and to give adequate strength to the study of Soviet map intelligence. The Basic Division is reorganized in accordance with the recommendation of the AD/IE to Management Officer, CIA, dated 13 September 1950, and is strengthened with a Regional Section to absorb the loss of regional substantive review previously furnished by the Regional Divisions of O/R.

c. The organization for O/R which will be effective on 1 April unless otherwise directed will, as a minimum, consist of three Divisions, namely: Soviet Orbit Economic Division, Geographic Division and Basic Division.

3. A recommended statement of Mission and Functions for O/R to replace the statement presently contained in the reference is attached hereto marked Inclosure No. 1. This statement will be applicable to the interim as well as the ultimate organization.

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4. A Table of Organization based upon paragraph 2 b above is attached hereto marked Inclosure No. 2.

5. This Office will develop an organizational plan and recommended strength statement, applicable to the 1 April organization, for submittal at a later date.

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Inclosures: 2

Inclosures filed in O/R file

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